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**From:** Abdallah M. Hawa **Date:** January 25, 2002

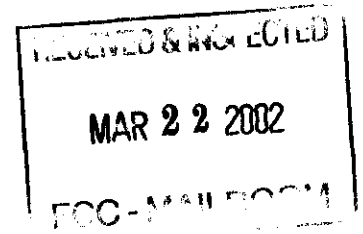
**Re:** Letter of Appeal  
CC Docket # 96-45 and 97-21 **Pages:** 1 + 5

Letter of Appeal attached with corresponding letters for the Coatesville Area School District.

Billed Entity # 126195

Contact person:

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This is a hard copy of our Letter of Appeal that was faxed out on January 25, 2002.

Thank you.

C. Forlani

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January 24, 2002

Federal Communications Commission  
Office of the Secretary  
445-12<sup>th</sup> Street SW  
Washington, DE 20554

**Letter of Appeal**

RE: CC Docket Nos. 96-45 and 97-21  
Administrator's Decision on Appeal  
Funding Year 2001-02  
Dated January 21, 2002  
Applicant Name – Coatesville Area School District  
471 Application Number: 251261  
Funding Request Numbers: 625484, 626440  
Billed Entity Number: 126195

I am appealing on behalf of the Coatesville Area School District the USAC's decision to deny our funding request. Our appeal dated July 27, 2001 states that we did not violate the program's required 28-day waiting period. We signed the Form 470 on July 19, 2000 and we did not sign the Form 471 until January 17, 2001.

According to the USAC letter dated January 21, 2002 they are considering Form 470, # 340060000292593 as Year 3. This Form 470 was posted to their web site on July 20, 2000 and it is for Year 4 **not** Year 3. The process of filling this form started on July 19, 2000 and was within the allowed start date for Year 4.

Also, please note the date on the Form 471 is January 17, 2001. As you can conclude, that date is more than the 28 day period needed before signing the Form 471.

Please contact me to discuss this appeal request:

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Coatesville, PA 19320

Sincerely,



Abdallah M. Hawa  
Director of Administrative Technology

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Attachments 3



**Universal Service Administrative Company**  
Schools & Libraries Division

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**Administrator's Decision on Appeal - Funding Year 2001-2002**

January 21, 2002

Abdallah M. Hawa  
Coatesville Area School District  
1515 E. Lincoln Highway  
Coatesville, PA 19320-2494

Re: Billed Entity Number: 126195  
471 Application Number: 251261  
Funding Request Number(s): 625484, 626440  
Your Correspondence Dated: July 27, 2001

After thorough review and investigation of all relevant facts, the Schools and Libraries Division ("SLD") of the Universal Service Administrative Company ("USAC") has made its decision in regard to your appeal of SLD's Year Four Funding Commitment Decision for the Application Number indicated above. This letter explains the basis of SLD's decision. The date of this letter begins the 30-day time period for appealing this decision to the Federal Communications Commission ("FCC"). If your letter of appeal included more than one Application Number, please note that for each application for which an appeal is submitted, a separate letter is sent.

Funding Request Number: 625484, 626440  
Decision on Appeal: **Denied in full**  
Explanation:

- Your appeal claims that you did not violate the program's required 28-day waiting period because you signed the Form 470 on July 19, 2000 and you did not sign the Form 471 until January 17, 2001. You would like the SLD to reconsider their decision to deny funding for this request.
- The 28-day waiting period begins when the Form 470 is posted by SLD to the website, in this case your Funding Year 3 Form 470 #340060000292593 was signed on July 19, 2000 but it was posted on July 20, 2000. This Form 470 would have been considered as meeting the 28-day requirement however the type of service you are requesting, month-to-month service, requires a Funding Year 4 Form 470.

- The Form 471 you submitted to SLD indicates that you are seeking support for tariff or month-to-month services. While these types of services may not be subject to a contract, they do need to be competitively bid for each funding year. Therefore, you should have filed a Funding Year Four Forms 470 requesting support for these services, and it should have been posted on the website for 28 days. Since you failed to post your Funding Year Four Form 470 for 28-days, you are in violation of the program's competitive bidding requirements. Consequently, SLD denies your appeal because your application did not comply with the competitive bidding requirement that your Form 470 be posted on the website for 28 days prior to your signing and/or submitting your Form 471.
- You signed and submitted your Form 471 prior to the expiration of the 28-day posting period. FCC rules require that except under limited circumstances, all Forms 470 received be posted on the website for 28 days, and that applicants carefully consider all bids received before selecting a vendor, entering into an agreement or signing a contract, and signing and submitting a Form 471. *See* 47 C.F.R. §§ 54.504, 54.511(a), (c). FCC rules further require that the Administrator send the applicant a confirmation when the Form 470 has been posted, and inform the applicant of the date after which the applicant may sign a contract with the vendor it selects. *See* 47 C.F.R. § 54.504(b)(4). These competitive bidding requirements help ensure that applicants receive the lowest pre-discount price from vendors. *See Federal-State Joint Board on Universal Service*, CC Docket No. 96-45, Order on Reconsideration, 12 FCC Rcd 10095, 10098 ¶ 9 (1997).

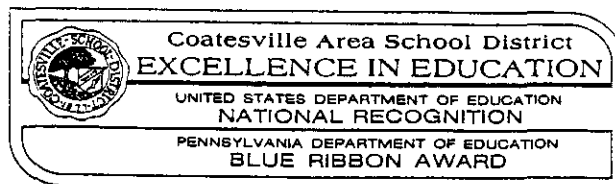
If you believe there is a basis for further examination of your application, you may file an appeal with the Federal Communications Commission (FCC) via United States Postal Service: FCC, Office of the Secretary, 445-12<sup>th</sup> Street SW, Washington, DC 20554. If you are submitting your appeal to the FCC by other than United States Postal Service, check the SLD web site for more information. Please reference CC Docket Nos. 96-45 and 97-21 on the first page of your appeal. **The FCC must RECEIVE your appeal WITHIN 60 DAYS OF THE ABOVE DATE ON THIS LETTER for your appeal to be filed in a timely fashion.** Further information and new options for filing an appeal directly with the FCC can be found in the "Appeals Procedure" posted in the Reference Area of the SLD web site, [www.sl.universalservice.org](http://www.sl.universalservice.org).

We thank you for your continued support, patience, and cooperation during the appeal process.

Schools and Libraries Division  
Universal Service Administrative Company

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July 27, 2001

Letter of Appeal  
Schools and Library Division  
80 S. Jefferson Road, Box 125  
Whippany, NJ 07981

RE: FCD Letter for Funding Year 4: 07/01/2001- 6/30/2002  
FDC Letter dated July 23, 2001  
Form 471 Application Number: 251261  
Funding Year 4: 07/01/2001 – 06/30/2002  
Billed Entity Number: 126195  
Applicant Name: Coatesville Area School District, Abdallah M. Hawa

Gentlemen:

We are appealing your decision of not funding the following: Funding Request Number 625484 for Telecommunications Service provided by Verizon and Funding Request Number 626440 for Internet Access provided by Chester County Community Network.

The Funding Commitment Decision Explanation as stated in your letter is the same for both FRNs 625484 and 626440. It states, "The Form 471 application was signed and/or submitted prior to the expiration of the 28-day waiting period from the day of the posting of the Form 470 to the SLD Web Site."

We are attaching proof that FCC Form 470 was signed on July 19, 2000 and that the FCC Form 471 was signed on January 17, 2001. These will clearly show that more than 28 days had expired and we did not violate the waiting period as stated in your Funding Commitment Report.

Please contact me to discuss this appeal request at 610-383-7900 Ext. 4083 or by my cell phone 610-476-4115 or by e-mail at [hawaa@coatesville.k12.pa.us](mailto:hawaa@coatesville.k12.pa.us). My address is 1515 E. Lincoln Highway, Coatesville, PA 19320. My fax number is 610-383-4061.

Sincerely,

Abdallah M. Hawa  
Director of Administrative Technology

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Attachments

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Entity Number: 126195

Applicant's Form Identifier: casd-470-01-02

Contact Person: Abdallah M. Hawa

Phone Number: 610-383-7900

FCC Form

Approval by OMB  
3060-0806

470

### Schools and Libraries Universal Service Program Description of Services Requested and Certification Form

Form 470 Application Number: 340060000292593

- ☒ a. schools under the statutory definitions of elementary and secondary schools found in the Elementary and Secondary Education Act of 1965, 20 U.S.C. Secs. 8801(14) and (25), that do not operate as for-profit businesses, and do not have endowments exceeding \$50 million; and/or
- ☐ b. libraries or library consortia eligible for assistance from a State library administrative agency under the Library Services and Technology Act of 1996 that do not operate as for-profit businesses and whose budgets are completely separate from any school (including, but not limited to) elementary and secondary schools, colleges and universities.

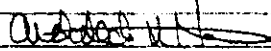
- ☒ a. individual technology plans for using the services requested in the application
- ☐ b. higher-level technology plans for using the services requested in the application
- ☐ c. no technology plan needed; application requests basic local and long distance telephone service only.

- ☒ a. Technology plan(s) has/have been approved by a state or other authorized body.
- ☐ b. Technology plan(s) will be approved by a state or other authorized body.
- ☐ c. The application requests basic local and long distance telephone service only; no technology plan needed.

22. ☒ I certify that the services the applicant purchases at discounts provided by 47 U.S.C. Sec. 254 will be used solely for educational purposes and will not be sold, resold, or transferred in consideration for money or any other thing of value.

23. ☒ I recognize that support under this support mechanism is conditional upon the school(s) or library(ies) I represent securing access to all of the resources, including computers, training, software, maintenance, and electrical connections necessary to use the services purchased effectively.

24. ☒ I certify that I am authorized to submit this request on behalf of the above-named entities, that I have examined this request, and to the best of my knowledge, information, and belief, all statements of fact contained herein are true.

25. Signature of authorized person		26. Date	7/19/2000
27. Printed name of authorized person	Abdallah M. Hawa		
28. Title or position of authorized person	Director of Technology		
29. Telephone Number	(610) 383-7900 Ext. 4083		

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**FCC Form 471**

Services Ordered and Certification Form



Applicant's Form Identifier: casd-471-yr4-01-02

Entity Number: 126195

Contact Person: Abdallah M. Hawa

Phone Number: (610) 383-7900 Ext. 4083

**Block 6: Certifications and Signature**

Do not write in this area

471 Application Number: 251261

24. The entities listed in Block 4 of this application are eligible for support because they are: (check one or both)

- a. ☒ schools under the statutory definitions of elementary and secondary schools found in the Elementary and Secondary Education Act of 1965, 20 U.S.C. Secs. 8801(14) and (25), that do not operate as for-profit businesses, and do not have endowments exceeding \$50 million; and/or
- b. ☐ libraries or library consortia eligible for assistance from a State library administrative agency under the Library Services and Technology Act of 1996 that do not operate as for-profit businesses and whose budgets are completely separate from any school (including, but not limited to) elementary and secondary schools, colleges and universities

25. The eligible schools and libraries listed in Block 4 of this application have secured access to all of the resources, including computers, training, software, maintenance, and electrical connections necessary to make effective use of the services purchased as well as to pay the discounted charges for eligible services.

26. All of the schools and libraries or library consortia listed in Block 4 of this application are covered by:

- a. ☒ an individual technology plan for using the services requested in this application; and/or
- b. ☐ higher-level technology plan(s) for using the services requested in this application; or
- c. ☐ no technology plan needed; applying for basic local distance telephone service only.

27. Status of technology plans (if representing multiple entities with mixed technology plan status, check both a and b):

- a. ☒ technology plan(s) has/have been approved; and/or
- b. ☐ technology plan(s) will be approved by a state or other authorized body; or
- c. ☐ no technology plan needed; applying for basic local and long distance telephone service only.

28. I certify that the entities eligible for support that I am representing have complied with all applicable state and local laws regarding procurements of services for which support is being sought.

29. I certify that the services the applicant purchases at discounts provided by 47 U.S.C. Sec. 254 will be used solely for educational purposes and will not be sold, resold, or transferred in consideration for money or any other thing of value.

30. I certify that the entity(ies) I represent has complied with all program rules and I acknowledge that failure to do so may result in denial of discount funding and/or cancellation of funding commitments.



**Universal Service Administrative Company**  
Schools & Libraries Division

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**FORM 471 RECEIPT ACKNOWLEDGMENT LETTER**

**(Funding Year 4: 07/01/2001 - 06/30/2002)**

February 15, 2001

COATESVILLE AREA SCHOOL DISTRICT  
Abdallah M. Hawa  
1515 E LINCOLN HWY  
COATESVILLE, PA 19320-2447

**Re: Form 471 Application Number: 251261**  
**Funding Year 4: 07/01/2001 - 06/30/2002**  
**Applicant's Form Identifier: casd-471-yr4-01-02**  
**Billed Entity Number: 126195**

NOTICE: This notification is an acknowledgment of RECEIPT and SUCCESSFUL DATA ENTRY of your FCC Form 471, Services Ordered and Certification Form, reflecting \$297,864.00 in total program year pre-discount costs for services. This letter confirms that the Form 471, Item 21 attachment, and signed Form 471 Certification form have been received.

This letter does NOT contain any decisions concerning your requests for discounts. Note, however, the two-week response deadline described below.

Please keep this letter for your records. The Form 471 application number cited above is critical for you to link your application to future Schools and Libraries Division (SLD) communications.

Please be advised that your Form 471 application materials were postmarked or received by the SLD on 01/17/2001 and successfully entered into our data system. SLD's Program Integrity Assurance (PIA) Team will now review your application for compliance with program rules. Once the review of your application has been completed, you will receive a separate Funding Commitment Decision Letter to inform you of the disposition of your application. Until you receive a Funding Commitment Decision Letter from the SLD, you cannot assume that you will receive the discounts for which you are applying.

Your application will be considered within the application filing window wherein all applications which meet the Minimum Processing Standards are treated as though they were received on the same day.

**HOW TO USE THIS 471 RECEIPT ACKNOWLEDGMENT LETTER TO CORRECT INFORMATION ON YOUR FORM 471 (ACT WITHIN 2 WEEKS!)**

If you find data entry errors on this letter, or you previously identified errors on your Form 471, these can be corrected using this Form 471 Receipt Acknowledgment Letter. Examples of the errors that can be corrected are:

- \* Block 1 information (such as contact person or street address);
- \* Reductions to Block 5 Funding Requests;
- \* SPIN is incorrect because of a data entry error or because the company has merged with or been acquired by another company (Requests to change service providers for other reasons cannot be accommodated through the Receipt Acknowledgment Process.);
- \* If on your Form 471 you incorrectly combined or "bundled" into one Funding Request Number (ERN) two or more services from different service providers



Instructions for more information on filing deadlines to ensure that your discounts can be paid retroactively to the Service Start Date. You are advised to keep proof of the date of mailing.

1. If Funding Year 4 services start on or before Sunday, October 28, 2001, and the date of your Funding Commitment Decision Letter is before Sunday, October 28, 2001, your Form 486 must be postmarked on or before October 28, 2001 in order for discounts to be paid retroactively to the Service Start Date. Failure to meet this certification deadline will result in reduced funding.
2. If your services start after October 28, 2001, your Form 486 must be postmarked no later than 120 days after the Service Start Date or 120 days after the date of the Funding Commitment Decision Letter, whichever is later, in order for discounts to be paid retroactively to the Service Start Date. Failure to meet this filing deadline will result in reduced funding.

You may also check the SLD web site at [www.sl.universalservice.org](http://www.sl.universalservice.org) or call the Client Service Bureau at 1-888-203-8100 for more information about how this new law might impact universal service discounts and any needed documentation for Funding Year 4 (July 1, 2001-June 30, 2002).

#### TO APPEAL THESE FUNDING COMMITMENT DECISIONS

If you wish to appeal the Funding Commitment Decision(s) (FCD) indicated in this letter, your appeal must be made in writing and RECEIVED BY THE SCHOOLS AND LIBRARIES DIVISION (SLD) at the SLD address below WITHIN 30 DAYS OF THE ABOVE DATE ON THIS LETTER. Failure to meet this requirement will result in automatic dismissal of your appeal. In your letter of appeal:

1. Include the name, address, telephone number, fax number, and e-mail address (if available) for the person who can most readily discuss this appeal with us.
2. State outright that your letter is an appeal. Identify which FCD Letter you are appealing. Indicate the relevant funding year and the date of the Funding Commitment Decision Letter. Your letter of appeal must also include the applicant name, the Form 471 Application Number, and the Billed Entity Number from the top of your FCD Letter.
3. Identify the particular Funding Request Number (FRN) that is the subject of your appeal. When explaining your appeal, include the precise language or text from the Funding Commitment Decision Letter that is at the heart of your appeal. By pointing us to the exact words that give rise to your appeal, the SLD will be able to more readily understand and respond appropriately to your appeal. Please keep your letter to the point, and provide documentation to support your appeal. Be sure to keep copies of your correspondence and documentation.
4. Provide an original authorized signature on your letter of appeal.

Please send your appeal to: Letter of Appeal, Schools and Libraries Division, Box 125 - Correspondence Unit, 80 South Jefferson Road, Whippany, NJ 07981. Appeals submitted by fax, phone call, and e-mail CANNOT be processed.

While we encourage you to resolve your appeal with the SLD first, you have the option of filing an appeal directly with the Federal Communications Commission (FCC): FCC, Office of the Secretary, 445-12th Street SW, Room TW-A325, Washington, DC 20554. You should refer to CC Docket Nos. 96-45 and 97-21 on the first page of your appeal to the FCC. Your appeal must be made in writing and RECEIVED BY THE FCC at the FCC address above WITHIN 30 DAYS OF THE ABOVE DATE ON THIS LETTER. Failure to meet this requirement will result in automatic dismissal of your appeal. Further information regarding filing an appeal directly with the FCC can be found in the "Appeals Procedure" posted in the Reference area of the SLD web site [www.sl.universalservice.org](http://www.sl.universalservice.org).

#### NOTICE ON RULES AND FUNDS AVAILABILITY

Applicants' receipt of funding commitments is contingent on their compliance with all statutory, regulatory, and procedural requirements of the universal service mechanisms for schools and libraries. FCC Form 471 Applicants who have received funding commitments continue to be subject to audits and other reviews that SLD or the Federal Communications Commission may undertake periodically to assure that funds have been committed and are being used in accordance with all such requirements. If the SLD subsequently determines that its commitment was erroneously issued due to action or inaction, including but not limited to that by SLD, the Applicant, or Service Provider, and that the action or inaction was not in accordance with such requirements, SLD may be required to cancel these funding commitments and seek repayment of any funds disbursed not in accordance

# FUNDING COMMITMENT REPORT

Form 471 Application Number: 251261  
Funding Request Number: 625484 Funding Status: Not Funded  
Services Ordered: Telecommunications Service  
SPIN: 143001398 Service Provider Name: Verizon - Pennsylvania, Inc.  
Contract Number: MTM  
Billing Account Number: N/A  
Earliest Possible Effective Date of Discount: 07/01/2001  
Contract Expiration Date: 06/30/2002  
Pre-Discount Amount: \$259,200.00  
Discount Percentage Approved by the SLD: N/A  
Funding Commitment Decision: \$0.00 - 28 Day Waiting Period Violated  
Funding Commitment Decision Explanation: The Form 471 application was signed and/or submitted prior to the expiration of the 28-day waiting period from the day of the posting of the Form 470 to the SLD Web Site.

Funding Request Number: 626440 Funding Status: Not Funded  
Services Ordered: Internet Access  
SPIN: 143004423 Service Provider Name: Chester County Community Network  
Contract Number: MTM  
Billing Account Number: N/A  
Earliest Possible Effective Date of Discount: 07/01/2001  
Contract Expiration Date: 06/30/2002  
Pre-Discount Amount: \$38,664.00  
Discount Percentage Approved by the SLD: N/A  
Funding Commitment Decision: \$0.00 - 28 Day Waiting Period Violated  
Funding Commitment Decision Explanation: The Form 471 application was signed and/or submitted prior to the expiration of the 28-day waiting period from the day of the posting of the Form 470 to the SLD Web Site.

(for example, local phone service from one company and long distance service from another) or from different eligible service categories (such as internal connections and Internet access), you may request us to "split" or "unbundle" the FRN.

NOTE: The total dollar amount represented by the newly divided FRN must not exceed the amount you requested for the original combined FRN. On the photocopy of your Receipt Acknowledgment Letter, cross out the original bundled FRN, then write in the SPIN, Service Provider Name, Services Ordered category, Total Program Year Pre-Discount \$ Amount, and Discount for each distinct service you have now "unbundled," making sure that the total dollars requested add up to no more than the ORIGINAL request.

To notify us of the allowable corrections you wish to make, please note that the SLD must receive these corrections within 2 weeks of the date of this letter. Follow these simple steps to make corrections:

1. Photocopy your Receipt Acknowledgment Letter.
2. Draw a line through each incorrect item, and mark clearly next to it what the correct information should be.
3. Please write the name of the contact person and telephone number on the first page of the RAL copy that will be sent to the SLD so that we can contact you if we have questions about your requested changes.
4. Make a photocopy of your marked-up letter to keep for your files.
5. Send your marked-up letter to arrive within two weeks of the date of this Form 471 Receipt Acknowledgment Letter to: Data Entry Corrections, Schools and Libraries Division, Box 125 - Correspondence Unit, 80 South Jefferson Road, Whippany, NJ 07981. (Please no e-mail.) We recommend that you send your marked-up letter via certified mail or another mode of delivery that will provide you with proof of delivery. Alternatively, you may fax your marked-up letter within two weeks of the date of this Form 471 Receipt Acknowledgment Letter. Please fax your marked-up letter with a Fax Cover Page to: Data Entry Corrections, fax # (973) 884-8217 and indicate the number of pages you are faxing. When faxing, save your confirmation page from sending the fax as your receipt of completed transmission.
6. Allowable corrections received in a timely fashion will be reflected in your Funding Commitment Decision Letter. We will not make corrections that do not fall into the categories defined as Allowable Corrections, above. Please note: the SLD will not advise you that we have received your "change request."
7. Please notify your service provider of any corrections to the Receipt Acknowledgment Letter that you submit to the SLD. Your service provider has also received a copy of the original Form 471 RAL letter. This correction will help your service provider keep your records updated.

#### EXPLANATION OF LINE ITEM INFORMATION

Select information from each Block 5 of Form 471 Application Number 251261 which passed Minimum Processing Standards and which could be entered into our data system is shown below. There are six important components of information shown for each Block 5:

1. FRN (Funding Request Number): The FRN is the Funding Request Number that the SLD assigned to each Block 5 that is entered into our data system. This number will be cited in relation to the SLD's funding decision contained in the Funding Commitment Decision Letter. The FRN information will also be shared with service providers so that they can provide discounted bills and invoice the SLD for the approved discount amount.
2. SPIN (Service Provider Identification Number): This is the Service Provider Identification Number that you provided. This is a unique identification number assigned to each service provider.
3. Service Provider Name: This is the legal name in our database that is associated with the Service Provider Identification Number that you provided.
4. Category of Service: This is the type of service for which you have requested discounts from Block 5, Item 11. The categories of services are: Telecommunications Services (Telc Svc); Internet Access (Inet Acc); Internal connections (Intr Con).
5. Pre-discount Dollar Amount: This is the total annual pre-discount cost for each FRN. This amount is taken from Block 5, Item 23, Column I.
6. Discount Percentage: This is the discount percentage from Block 5, Items 23, Column J.

#### MISSING FRNs

If information about a particular FRN is not included in the itemized list of Block 5 FRNs set forth above, this is because the FRN did not pass Minimum Processing Standards. If this is the case, you will receive a separate letter from the SLD informing you that these FRNs have been rejected, with an explanation of the reason for rejection. If you believe that there were FRNs included in your Form 471 which are not listed in this

letter AND you have not received a letter informing you that those ERNs are rejected, please write to us at the address listed at the bottom of this letter concerning "QUESTIONS ABOUT THIS LETTER."

Please note that the SLD Client Service Bureau may not have the information necessary to respond to your inquiry; therefore, your letter should be sent to the New Jersey address featured below.

#### FUTURE CONTACTS WITH PIA

It may be important for us to contact you as our PIA (Program Integrity Assurance) Team reviews the funding requests contained in your Form 471. Our requests for clarification and/or additional documentation will require a prompt response. The due date for such responses will be established at the time that the PIA Team may contact you. Please make sure that the contact person on your application is available to speak with the PIA Team, or that a surrogate is available. In addition, you should monitor on a daily basis the fax and e-mail locations that you may have cited in your Form 471 for the applicant and the contact person for the applicant.

#### COMMUNICATIONS WITH YOUR SERVICE PROVIDERS

The SLD is also sharing this ERN information with service providers whose SPINs are listed on Form 471 applications. This information is provided so that service providers can undertake the preparatory steps of identifying their potential customers for whom discounts may be issued. NO DISCOUNTS will be provided until:

- \* after the SLD issues the Funding Commitment Decision Letter for a particular application; AND
- \* technology plans, if applicable, have been approved; AND
- \* the applicant submits a Form 486 with a valid service start date.

The SLD encourages Form 471 applicants to contact their service providers to inform the service providers of the funding requests submitted to the SLD. Service providers may request additional information concerning the specific services contained within each funding request in order to facilitate discounted billing. Applicants are encouraged to share this information with service providers in order for the service providers to begin the preparatory billing steps.

#### QUESTIONS ABOUT THIS LETTER

If you have any questions regarding the above information, please write to us at SLD, Box 125-Correspondence Unit, 80 South Jefferson Road, Whippany, NJ 07981.

Thank you for your interest in the Schools and Libraries Universal Service Program.

Funding Request Number: 625484  
SPIN: 143001398 Service Provider Name: Verizon - Pennsylvania, Inc.  
Category of Service: Telc Svc(s)  
Pre-discount \$ Amount: \$259,200.00  
Discount Percentage: 54%

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Funding Request Number: 626440  
SPIN: 143004423 Service Provider Name: Chester County Community Network  
Category of Service: Inet Acc(s)  
Pre-discount \$ Amount: \$38,664.00  
Discount Percentage: 54%

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